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Airlift — A helicopter lowers an air conditioning unit onto the roof of Granite City High School. The work was being done by Granite Mechanical Piping.

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Tobacco firms sued

Labor funds seeking to recover expenses

Fourteen Illinois-based labor and labor-management health and welfare funds are suing major tobacco companies, tobacco trade associations and distributors of tobacco products in an effort to recover expenses for participants' medical care.

The funds are represented by The Labor Law Firm of Washington, which filed the 120-page complaint May 30 in Madison County Circuit Court. Lawyers with the firm who are familiar with the lawsuit could not be reached.

The suit accuses cigarette manufacturers and their trade associations "have engaged in a conspiracy to mislead, deceive and confuse the plaintiff health and welfare funds and other health care payors throughout the United States regarding the overwhelming evidence that cigarette smoking causes fatal diseases and that the nicotine in cigarettes is a powerfully addictive substance."

The lawsuit states that the defendants "systematically suppressed and concealed material information

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and waged an aggressive campaign of disinformation about the health consequences of cigarette smoking." As a result, the plaintiffs claim, they have been forced to spend millions of dollars for medical and related services for participants and their beneficiaries who suffer from tobacco-related diseases.

The plaintiffs are asking that the lawsuit be certified as a class action on behalf of all labor-management multi-employer health and trust funds that operate in Illinois. The lawsuit states that there are more than 70 such funds.

In addition to reimbursement for medical expenses and punitive damages, the lawsuit requests that defendants be ordered, among other things:

Disclose their research on smoking, addiction and health;

Disclose nicotine yields of their cigarette products;

Fund a remedial public education campaign on the health consequences of smoking;

Fund smoking cessation programs;

Cease advertising and promotions that attract minors to begin smoking.

The lawsuit states that cigarette smoking is the leading cause of premature death in the United States and kills more than 400,000 people each year, more than the number of people killed by vehicle accidents. (See SUIT, Page 10A)

Getting (more) educated: Administrators get doctorates

By Michelle Duell
Staff writer

Four school administrators in Madison County recently received their doctorate degrees in education at St. Louis University. Their reasons for seeking the degree varied, except for one who everyone agreed upon: It set a good example for their students.

The four are Hilda Everage, assistant super-

intendent of Madison Community Unit 19; Steve Ball, superintendent of Granite City Community Unit 9; Radelyn Parks, principal of Madison Middle School; and Ron Ganschelitz, principal of Granite City High School.

"On a broad scale, I model life-long learning," 45-year-old Everage said. "And, by me having more knowledge and more information, I feel I can contribute my part better."

"My uncle was an M.D.," she said. "I want-

ed to be like that. I got a bachelor's, a master's, then a specialty, then an Ed.D. I still plan to take more courses, I'm not finished."

"And when I retire," Everage said, "I'm going to write a dissertation philosophy — but that's where I can relax."

While earning her doctorate, Everage said, she participated in professional development and how to improve teaching skills.

"I'm interested in Madison," she said.

"We're a poor little community. When you have students from happy preschools and daycares, with parents from dysfunctional families in Madison, it creates a gap. I would like to bridge that — give the kids a goal beyond Madison."

Every school in the state is required to have a curriculum, "how you design your program," Everage said. "For my (dissertation), (See DOCTORATES, Page 10A)

'Reading magician' brings act to Venice



Chris Egelston

By Michelle Duell
Staff writer

Magic entertainer Chris Egelston of Carterville will be presenting the 1997 version of his "Reading is Magic" act on June 14 at the Venice Public Library.

Egelston first premiered the show in 1987, and this year's show, he said, contains all-new magic, comedy and audience participation with a slant on reading.

The show includes messages about reading for fun, how you can learn anything you want by reading — including magic — and how the ability to read can help make one successful in life, Egelston said.

Egelston said he entertains with an assortment of magic, funny stories, colorful props, magic wands and other surprises. He also invites children on stage to participate in the show.

"The goal of the show is to encourage children to read as often as possible, not only to learn but also to have fun," said Egelston,

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Carnival — Ronnie Morlen, left, picks up his ball while his friend Alex Schillinger, right, takes a shot on the mini golf course set up in the gymnasium at Coolidge Middle School during a carnival day held there last week. More photos on Page 2A.

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John Fuller, Meteorologist, KSDK-NewsChannel 5



Former state's attorney dies

'Rollie' Griffith won on pledge to chase hoodlums from county

ALTON — Attorney R.W. "Rollie" Griffith ran for Madison County state's attorney in 1968 on a promise to chase the hoodlums out of the county.

"Mr. Griffith was the first Republican in years to be elected state's attorney in a Democratic-controlled county, and that was a great achievement," Madison County GOE Chairman Edward Ragsdale said.

The 74-year-old county attorney died of

cancer at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis.

"He died peacefully in his sleep with his family at his side," said Jean Griffith, his wife of 47 years. "He lived a long and fruitful life."

Griffith followed the

footsteps of his late father, Circuit Judge R.W. Griffith Sr. of Granite City, and went into a law career in 1951 in Alton.

Republicans believed he had the best chance of breaking the Democratic stranglehold in the courthouse.

Griffith campaigned from town to town for state's attorney in the fall of 1968 and stood on street corners to proclaim his

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NEWS

School's Project Success is living up to its name

By Bob Slaten
Staff writer

Project Success at Marshall Elementary School is aptly named.

The program, initiated in the 1994-95 school year, utilizes school district and community resources to deliver health and social services not traditionally associated with school, to students and their families.

"The reason it was so successful at Marshall was that it provided needed social services plus it provided a model for schools to follow," said Virgil Kambarian, principal at Marshall.

After a community survey indicated the needs of at-risk students at Marshall, three teams of parents, teachers and others in the community designed plans to meet those needs. Activities ranged from providing immunizations for children to establishing substance abuse programs for their parents.

"One of the most helpful things was a health fair prior to the start of school," said Melanie McFarland, secretary at Marshall. "There were always a number of kids who were excluded from school after a certain time because they didn't have physicals or immunizations."

McFarland said the health fairs were held at the school so they were easily accessible to students and the services were free or at greatly reduced prices based on a sliding scale.

Those involved with Project Success got together on a regular basis to discuss needs of individual students and how they could be addressed,

"It's been wonderful," she said.

"The reason it was so successful at Marshall was that it provided needed social services, plus it provided a model for a schoolwide Title I program."

— Virgil Kambarian,
School principal

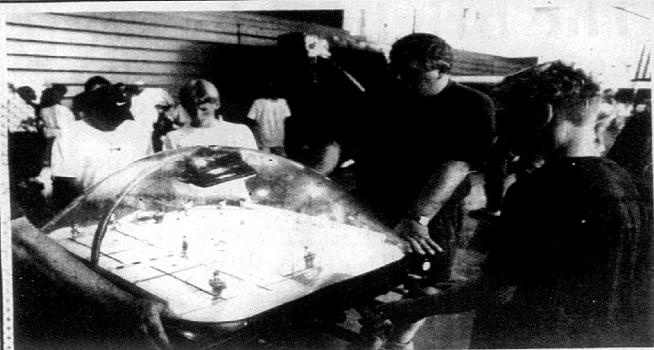
Project Success was set up to achieve two goals, said Dr. Bob Slaten, staff writer for the school district, who obtained the funds for the program.

"It strives to achieve two goals to improve child and family well-being by providing services that promote school success, local planning and decision-making, parental

involvement and prevention; and to support systemic changes which improve collaboration, coordination and resource-sharing between state and local agencies," McFarland said.

Marshall received an initial Project Success grant for the 1994-95 school year, a second-year grant the following

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(Staff photos by JOHN FRESE)

Fun time — Coolidge Middle School held a carnival last week to celebrate the end of the school year. Above, Coolidge eighth grader Kevin Prindable, second from left, watches as fellow eighth grader Jeff Melton, left, challenges seventh grader Jacob Allison, right, to a game of table hockey. At right, Michael Lindsay, also an eighth grader, sticks to a felt wall while wearing a velcro suit on a carnival ride called "The Human Fly."



Big item trash pick-up set

The City of Madison will hold its annual free pick-up of large items and extra trash during the week of Friday, June 13.

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NEWS

Donations sought to help send children to burn camp

By Kimberly Haas
Staff writer

Area firefighters and citizens are hoping to raise \$10,000 to send 35 children to the Southern Illinois Camp for Burned Children.

The camp, to be held July 27, is aimed at children ages between the ages of nine and 18 to a week-long camp in Carbondale, and send 10 children, ages five to eight, on an overnight camp-out.

Carol Hayes, a member of the Southern Illinois Camp for Burned Children's board, said the group is very close to raising the needed funds.

"The fund-raiser is going very well. So far, we've raised \$8,500," Hayes said.

Donations have been received from local businesses, organizations and individuals, Hayes said.

The two camps will be held at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale's Touch of

Nature Environmental Center, located near Giant City State Park. A pilot burn camp was held last September at the center with nine children participating, Hayes said.

The board of directors began planning for the camp in January, Hayes said. The camp will be held July 27 to Aug. 2.

"The pilot camp was very successful, so we decided to get ambitious," she said of the upcoming camp.

"We've accomplished a lot since (January), mainly because the cause is such an important one."

Hayes said the main goal of the Touch of Nature Environmental Center and the volunteer board itself is to free the boundaries for burned children.

Those wishing to find out more information about the camp should contact board chairman Dennis Pfeifer at (618) 453-5011 or write: Southern Illinois Camp for Burned Children, P.O. Box 2851, Carbondale, IL 62902.

The bright side

Joe Papa sprucing up sewer district

By Bob Slaten
Staff writer

Some may laugh at him, but Joe Papa is trying to spruce things up at the office of Madison County Special Service Area #1 for Sewers.

The office is located across from Mitchell Elementary School on East Chain of Rocks Road in Mitchell.

Some might wonder why a sewer maintenance office needs to have a pleasant appearance. After all we are talking about the stuff that goes through sewers.

But, Dennis Stern, director's assistant supervisor, thinks a pleasant environment is important to workers' attitudes as well as to the public's perception.

"It was kind of mundane. We think it's a lot more pleasant to work in."

To improve the office, Papa has planted flowers in front of the building, instituted an "employee of the week" program, bought donuts and fresh fruit for workers and had the door painted red-orange.

Perhaps the most noticeable change so far is the garden Papa planted in front of the building. He placed sewer pipe inside the ditch that runs along the road in front of the building and covered the pipe with landscaped area with rocks. He then planted a variety of vegetation — including corn and dandelions of all things — around the corn identifying the building.

"People told me it couldn't be done — that we had to have state approval to fill in the ditch," Papa said. "So I called IDOT (the Illinois Department of Transportation) to get permission."

"I didn't know if you've ever dealt with the state, but nobody wanted to make a decision."

In addition to the aesthetic improvement, the ditch is now more safe for children walking to school, he said.

"It was just a matter of time before one of those children tripped and fell in that ditch and got hurt," Papa said. "Nobody wants that to happen."

Because Papa did much of the work on his own time, and perhaps because he is brother of Madison County Board Chairman Rudy Papa — he has been ridiculed.

For example, Papa's boss, Dan Stern, recently received an anonymous note referring to Papa as "crazy" for working in the garden at 3 a.m.

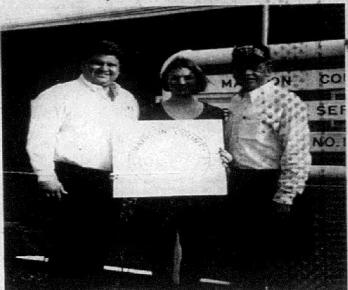
"I couldn't sleep, so I thought I'd work on it," Papa said.

Papa said the workers were initially skeptical of the "employee of the week" program, but have since warmed to the idea.

One of the perks of the program is a prime parking space near the office door.

One selected worker suggested in jest that Papa should wash his vehicle. But Papa thought that was a good idea.

"That guy's truck probably hadn't been washed in a year. It looked terrible. It had junk all over the floorboard," Papa said. "But after I washed it, it looked pretty good."



Erin Tyler, an art student at Granite City High School, holds the new logo she designed for the Madison County Special Service Area #1 for Sewers. At left is Dan Stern, supervisor for the sewer district. At right is Joe Papa, assistant supervisor.

"The next week, he cleaned it up himself. He started to take a little pride in it."

Papa brought donuts and fresh fruit to the office, along with the County Board's Sewer Committee, who was scheduled to meet there. Stern razzed him for trying to "kiss up" to his bosses, but Papa offered the goodies to the workers before the county officials arrived.

"These are the guys who do the work. They deserve it," Papa said. "Besides, I could

probably be interested."

Terry Papa knew just the right person for the job — Erin Tyler.

Tyler has been a participant of the high school's PLUS Program in her freshman year. The PLUS Program is designed to assist students who might have trouble adjusting to the academics of high school with study habits, or other personal problems.

Tyler took the bland looking sewer district logo — it was a rectangle, the shape of the county's boundary, with block letters — and spruced it up with color, the state, a star, the name of the county and added color.

"It really looks great. Erin did a good job. We're having it put on all of our trucks," Papa said.

Papa is not sure what's next in his plan to spruce up the sewer environment. But whatever it is, you can bet it will be unusual.

Blood drive set for June 17

The need for blood is constant. Each week more than 5,800 units of blood are needed by local hospital patients.

Local residents are being asked to help meet this demand by donating blood at the Church Women United blood drive on Tuesday, June 17. The drive will be held from 2 to 6 p.m. at St. John's United Church of Christ, 2901 Nameoki Road, Granite City.

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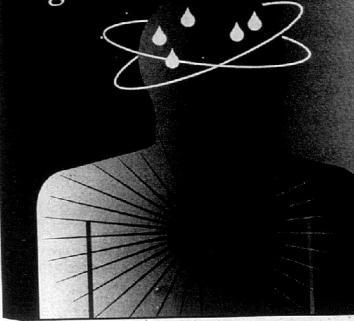
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NEWS

Baby facing heart surgery

Infant has already had two operations, heart attack

By Danette Fertig Thompson
Staff writer

Dawn Kiser took her infant son, Cameron, in for his two-month checkup, expecting nothing more than a routine visit to the doctor.

Hours later, doctors told her Cameron likely would die. The newborn baby had a potentially fatal heart defect.

Kiser and her husband, Jim, residents of Cedar Hill, Mo.

The baby is the grandson of Mitchell residents Al and Rita Young.

"There's nothing I can compare it to because we've never been through anything like this before. We thought we had a perfect, healthy baby," Kiser said. "But Cameron is still with us. He's a fighter and he's a tough little guy."

"What I am trying to do is help him live. After all he's been through, he still smiles and laughs all the time. He has so much personality. He makes you realize all your problems are meaningless. You can appreciate what's important."

What's important now is helping Cameron reach the goal of 10 pounds, 15 ounces of weight. He's strong enough to undergo another heart surgery.

Cameron, now three months old, has already had two operations to keep his heart functioning and stable until he can undergo the second phase of a three-part surgical procedure.

The procedure is risky. It also may not be an option for him.

Between his first two surgeries, Cameron had a surgery to repair the damage to his heart may be too great to be repaired.

The only alternative then, Kiser said, is a heart transplant.

"There are no long-term answers for us," she said. "Even if we get through this

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Dance will help with costs

Family and friends of the Kiser family of Cedar Hill, Mo., are joining together to help ease the financial burden of baby Cameron's extensive medical care.

A dance has been scheduled in Madison later this month to help with the expenses.

Dawn Kiser has taken an unpaid leave of absence from her job at the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. to care for Cameron, in spite of the family's income. And with additional surgeries in Cameron's future, Dawn Kiser isn't sure when she'll be able to return to work.

Cameron's grandmother, Connie Kiser, Cedar Hill, has helped to establish two benefit accounts for the family, at Eagle Bank in Cedar Hill and at First Bank in Pacific.

Donations can be made to the Cameron Kiser Benefit Fund at either bank.

Connie Kiser said a benefit is also being organized for August.

She said St. Louis Cardinal pitcher Alan Benes, who lives in the Cedar Hill area, recently donated several items for the benefit.

A Chicken and Beer Dance has been scheduled for Saturday, June 28, at Arnette Hall, 1717 Kennedy Drive in Madison. It will be held from 7 p.m. to 11 midnight. A \$10 donation includes food, beer, soda and set-ups.

feeding tube. The feeding tube is now gone, and Kiser said she hopes he'll be weaned off oxygen soon.

"When they hear how sick he is, they feel bad for Cameron to look awful," Kiser said.

"But he looks like any other three-month-old baby. It makes it harder, because he doesn't

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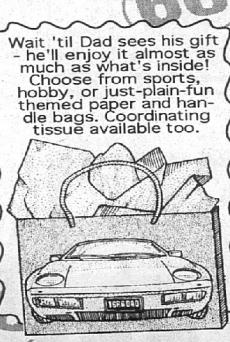
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By Bob Slatte
Staff writer

A 31-year-old man was injured in the morning while riding his bicycle near Granite City.

Catherine M. block of Market Street was injured Friday morning at the Medical Center. Cox was seen at 9:15 a.m. The accident is believed to have occurred in Edwardsville.

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Woman injured in car accident

By Bob Slatte
Staff writer

A 31-year-old Madison woman was injured Thursday morning when trying to make a U-turn on Edwardsville Road near Granite City Steel.

Catherine M. Cox, of the 1700 block of Market Street in Madison, was listed in good condition Friday at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

Cox was southbound on 21st Street at Edwardsville Road at 8:15 a.m. Thursday when she decided to make a U-turn. Edwardsville Road and head

back north on 21st Street, according to a police report.

But after Cox pulled her white 1996 Chrysler Sebring across the westbound lanes of Edwardsville Road, her car was struck by an eastbound black 1991 GMC pickup truck driven by Donald W. Coppedge, 60, of Glen Carbon.

Because the driver's door would not open due to severe damage and the passenger door would not open because of the utility pole, firefighters used Hurco tools to extricate Cox from her car.

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We expect to receive \$3,042,000 for the CDBG program, \$943,000 for the HOME program, and \$59,000 for the ESG program. Please note that these figures are only estimates, the actual amounts are not available at this time.

Please come to our PUBLIC MEETING at the following places:

9:00 A.M. June 18, 1997, Callie Boyd Center, Centerville Illinois

1:00 P.M. June 18, 1997, Senior Center, Washington Park, Illinois

10:00 A.M. June 19, 1997 Marissa Township Bldg., Marissa, Illinois

All are welcome. We are interested in your statements and appreciate your input. It helps us to serve you and your community better. If you cannot make it to one of these meetings, please submit your written comments to us at:

St. Clair County Intergovernmental Grants Department, Community Development Division, 19 Public Square, Suite 200, Belleville, IL 62220. Phone calls should be directed to 277-6790, Community Development Division Attn. Vincent Kwiatkowski, PAU Manager.

Additional meetings will be held in various communities as the planning process continues.

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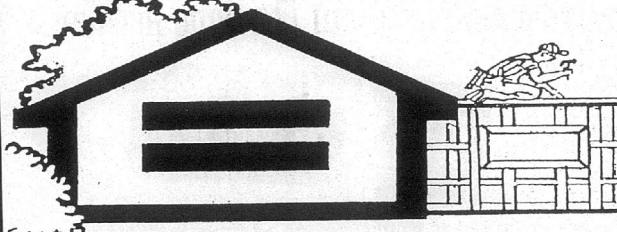
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who began reading it.

Since then, he's seen more of it. "About 75 percent of it has adapted to my style," he says.

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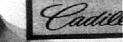
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Cathy Carr will celebrate her birthday June 9.

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Dannie Sipe Jr. will celebrate his 22nd birthday June 14.

Steve and Pauline "Aggie" Corzine will celebrate their anniversary June 14.

Angela Turner will celebrate her 15th birthday June 14.

NEWS • Suit

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Plaintiffs are the Central Illinois Community Health & Welfare Fund, the Central Laborers Welfare Fund, the East Central Illinois Pipe Trades Health and Welfare Fund, the Laborers Local 100 Health & Welfare Fund, the Laborers Local 23 Health & Welfare Fund, the Laborers Local 923 Health & Welfare Fund, the Midwestern Teamsters Health & Welfare Fund, the NECA-IBEW Welfare Trust Fund, the Northern Illinois & Iowa Laborers Health & Welfare Fund, the Operating Engineers Local 985 Health & Welfare Fund, the Railroad Maintenance & Industrial Health & Welfare Fund, the

Sheet Metal Workers Local 218 Health & Welfare Fund, the Southern Illinois Laborers & Employers Health & Welfare Fund, and the Teamsters & Employers Welfare Trust of Illinois.

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Balen, 49, said he thinks that school administrators have to set an example (in learning), "primarily for kids."

"The doctorate, of course, is the highest degree you can get," Balen said. "My father had a third-grade education. He came from Yugoslavia and always said, 'Learn as much as you can.'"

"You also have to have it to be a school administrator today," Balen said. "I know now I've done everything I can do at the master's level."

For his dissertation, Balen studied whether students behave better with video cameras in a room or without them.

"The school district authorized placing video cameras in the school cafeteria in Coolidge Middle School," he said. "For a year I videotaped cafeteria for a year. To compare we chose to study Grigsby students without video cameras."

Balen said he learned that misbehavior is reduced under surveillance, like throwing



Raelyn Parks



Hilda Everage

food, but it is not a deterrent in "mouthing off at a teacher."

"Pepperdine (University) offered to publish it (the dissertation)," he said. "It runs the National Center for School Safety."

Twenty-three-year-old Parks, principal at Madison Middle School, said that earning her Ed.D. has "been a goal that I've had ever since I was in undergraduate school."

Ganschinetz, who practiced student teaching at Vandalia and then taught at Granite City before he became principal at Collingsville High School, said the perceptions of principals and implications for the training of principals.

Parks' dissertation focused

on middle school practices on students attending a school designated as a poverty school, she said.

"I looked at some specific information obtained from middle school students before and after (they attended middle school)," she said. "As a result, the school became a Carnegie School, which makes it eligible for more benefits."

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Belle-Clair

By now you well realize Gateway International Raceway in Madison became a hit with the inaugural Motorola 300.

My fear is that interest in the big-time track might take some racing fans from the smaller tracks like Belle-Clair Speedway in Belleville.

It took nearly 30 years for big-time racing to return to Illinois. Surely, you did not forget the Du Quoin Fairgrounds and the race won by Al Unser Sr.?

Yet, since 1947, dirt track racing has existed at Belle-Clair Speedway, where some of the top late model and modified stock car drivers in the country compete.

Every Friday night from mid-April through Sept. 5 the action is exciting at Belle-Clair and the ticket prices are most reasonable. Consider \$9 for adults, \$8 for ages 12-17, \$6 for ages 5-11 and free for children under 5, and you can appreciate the bargain that begins with qualifying events.

As a youngster, I was fortunate to see the likes of Artie Knepper race sprint cars at Belle-Clair. Actually, there were few like the late Artie, since he was one of the Indianapolis 500 racers in that event five times from 1965-69.

To appreciate how far racing at Belle-Clair has progressed, consider that in 1967 when Knepper finished 22nd at Indy (with 158 laps completed), he qualified for a record of 62,000.

This year's Indy pole sitter, Arie Luyendyk, qualified at 218,263 and holds the track record of 236,986. Motorola winner Paul Tracy qualified at Gateway at 187,739.

OVERTIME: The Illinois High School Association recently informed the state of five high schools from Class A to AA enrollment, including Belleville, Althoff, Herrin, Mahomet-Seymour, Olney and St. Louis Catholic.

With 741 as the minimum enrollment for a Class AA school, I wondered if other area schools might follow the jump from small to big school status. According to 1997 enrollment, the closest to 741 are Wood River (695), Freeburg (657), and Roxana (611).

Since the last school year, which had a decisive number was 645, the enrollment divisor has been 654, 655, 684, 710, and 721 (in 1996-97)...

At Heartland, Mike Newbold, the school's boys basketball coach and athletic director, indicated that a larger freshman class was responsible for the move to Class AA, which he expects to be "a one or two-year thing."

"From a basketball standpoint, we're a little disappointed," Newbold said. "We'd certainly like to play in a Class A regional than a AA sectional complex."

"If we were in Class AA to stay, we'd want to play the Mount Vernons and Centralia," he said.

By saying such, Newbold hints at playing larger competition that might mean a return to the South Seven Conference.

(Art Voellinger is the baseball and soccer coach at O'Fallon High School. He writes a twice-weekly column for the Journal.)

Palatine lulls Lady Warriors 3-1

Pirates stun GCHS at state

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

NAPEVILLE — The Granite City Lady Warriors picked the worst possible time to play the game of their lives this year, losing to Palatine 3-1 in Friday's quarterfinal round of the Illinois girls state soccer tournament at Naperville Central High School.

"I don't think we played worse in any game this year," said Granite City coach Gene Baker. "We played horrible. We've beaten a dozen teams better than Palatine. There's nothing away from them that's just telling the way it is. We had an absolutely terrible game."

Granite City had trouble just 4:44 into the game. All-star Kathleen Schager, the Pirates' leading scorer on the season, received a corner kick from Adrienne Roth and beat it around it between Shannon Roth and the right goalpost for a 1-0 Palatine lead.

The Lady Warriors (22-3-1) had the upper hand throughout the next 45 minutes. But the Pirates' size and strength, as

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Notre Dame 0
Game 2: Winnetka New Trier 2,
Orland Park Sandburg 1 (2 OT)
Game 3: Palatine 3, Granite City 1
Game 4: Libertyville vs. St. Charles,
7:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 7
Game 5: Lyons Township vs. Winnetka New Trier, 9 a.m.
Game 6: Palatine vs. Game 4 winner, 11 a.m.
Game 7: Game 5 winner vs. Game 6 loser, 3 p.m.
State championship: Game 5 winner vs. Game 6 winner, 7 p.m.

well as their impressive hustle, kept GCHS from stringing together enough passes to sustain an attack.

Jaime Delbrinage, Erica Todd and Ismailah Mohsen had Granite City's only scoring goal in the first half. And for the only time on the season, the Lady Warriors were outshot for the game.

Meanwhile, the Pirates (20-6-1) could manage only (See LADY WARRIOR, Page 3B)



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Crystal Timmons settles the ball in front of the net during the Lady Warriors' 2-1 victory over Quincy Notre Dame Tuesday.

Gibault's Friedrich slugs way through sectional

Adam Friedrich
Gibault catcherBy Garen Vartanian
Staff writer

In both ends of the Marissa Class A Sectional last week, Gibault's Adam Friedrich was truly "the man."

The senior catcher was 6-for-6 with nine RBIs, leading the Hawks to a 10-2 win over Freeburg (3-4) and Nashville (12-0) for their first-ever sectional championship.

It's not a coincidence. He's really lived it on." Gibault coach Steve King said of Friedrich, the Illinois Journals Athlete of the Week. "And he's done an outstanding job. It's important that the whole team gets credit, though, because everybody has to be on base for him to excel."

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has just excelled at the bat, come on strong and shown quality senior leadership."

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Athlete of the Week

BP (batting practice) all day and was seeing the ball really well. And it really helps. You just get more confidence the more balls you see, and you really feel good."

His HR single in the fifth made it 9-2, and Friedrich capped perfect back-to-back games with two runs safely in the following frame.

"I would have figured a game much more like that against Freeburg," King said. "Close, down to the wire. But we came out and hit the ball good. We've been coming from behind all year long. We just came out and we just started right off the bat hitting the ball hard."

Friedrich was busy behind the plate as well, twice settling

(See FRIEDRICH, Page 3B)

Seniors run course with Warriors

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

Granite City came up short in qualifying matches for the Illinois state track and field meets held at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston. Stephanie Brandt, who finished sixth in the discus, was the only Granite City athlete from GCHS to qualify for state competition.

"I was disappointed," said Brandt, who threw 127 feet, 7 inches in the finals. "I was third in the 100m in warm-ups. But for some reason, I couldn't reach that level in actual state competition."

"I was a little down because my throws were getting consistently better all season long. But I'm still qualifying for state four years in a row and that's a tremendous experience."

Brandt placed in the discuss at state all four years with GCHS. She placed seventh as a freshman, third as a sophomore and eighth as a junior.

Brandt will be a member of the Eastern Illinois University track team next season and



has been invited to participate in the national track and field championships at the University of North Carolina at Raleigh on June 13 and 14.

"Stephanie Brandt is an outstanding athlete and an outstanding young lady," said GCHS coach Gene Briggs. "She has been outstanding in

the discuss for four years and has been all-state for four years. I'm not sure there's another athlete in Granite City (See SENIORS, Page 3B)

Youth golf event set for June 17

By Shawn Fusco
Staff writer

For evidence of the increasing popularity of golf among youngsters, look no further than the Gateway Section's Clubs For Kids program.

The event has grown tremendously in the past two years, and the clubs have an eye on making it even bigger in the future.

This year's Clubs for Kids event is set for June 17 at Fairview Heights, and is expected to draw in the neighborhood of 1,500 participants, which was last year's registration total.

That's quite an increase from the 500 participants in 1995.

"As the years go, I'd like to make it a huge family fair," said Shannon Miller, director of administration of the Gateway Section of the PGA.

Miller took over the program two years ago. She has seen an increase in recent years for the 17- (See GOLF, Page 3B)

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Prowler: Hot rod looks combine with sports car handling

By Tom Strongman

WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIF. — Hot rods are as uniquely American as Elvis, Jeeps and Harley-Davidson. And the Plymouth's Prowler knocked this jaded town for a loop.

Chrysler recently invited journalists to spend a couple of days here driving Prowlers. In a town where weird is normal and everything has been seen before, they were a smash.

No car I have driven has received the kind of attention this one did. Rich folks peered enviously from the tinted windows of their luxury cars, a plumber hollered down from a ratty van and nearly everyone brought a question or comment from fellow drivers.

The Prowler will infuse the Plymouth name with energy and innovation. It also will cast a bright light on the entire Chrysler Corp. for being brassy enough to create a unique, small-volume niche product so tightly connected to hot rods.

Production starts this month, and only about 2,000 will be built this year. Look for it in dealers sometime in July. The sticker price is \$39,000, including air bags, flat tires, air conditioning, power windows and a 500-watt with compact disc player. Look for demand to push the open-market price considerably higher. Next year, about 4,000 to 5,000 will be built as 1999 models.

To date, Chrysler has had 100,000 responses requesting the Prowler through the mail and Internet.

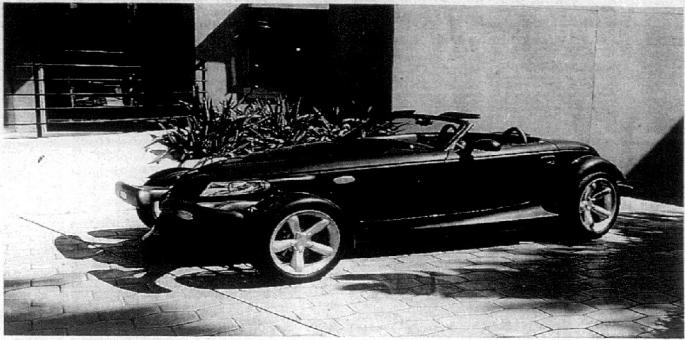
With a V-6 engine and automatic transmission, some have labeled the Prowler a "hot rod wannabe" rather than a hot rod. The message: It is not just a celebration of the rolling chassis. It has come to define hot rodting—it is a technological showcase for new materials and assembly processes. That is its most important aspect.

Slide back in the wheel, however, and it drives like a sports car. It can roll out of a turn, has excellent brakes and precise handling. It is as much at home knifing through the twists and turns of mountain roads as profiling down Sunset Boulevard. We did both.

We spent some time flinging it through tight corners and slaloms on a special handling course set up at the Pomona fairgrounds, and it was most impressive. You certainly wouldn't do that with most hot rods.

What it can't do is burn-outs at the drag strip. Mash the throttle and the 11-inch wide, 20-inch diameter rear tires (the biggest on a production vehicle) grab the pavement like a vise. Smoking tires or track-mapping acceleration just isn't something it is built to do.

The 3.5-liter V-6 engine borrowed from the Concord/Intrepid has only 214 horsepower, and an automatic transmission (though it is an automatic stick that can be shifted manually). The transmission is mounted with the rear axle to equalize weight distribution for better handling.



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One of Prowler's key reasons for existing is to be a "test bed for new technologies," according to Chrysler. Most of the body panels are aluminum, as is the frame. The suspension pieces are formed through semi-solid forging of aluminum, one of the American production applications of this technique.

A die-cast magnesium structure supports the instrument panel, and the rear brake discs are a ceramic-aluminum alloy. Even the door frames are aluminum. Total vehicle weight is just short of 2,900 pounds, which is about 21 percent less than it would have been had steel been used exclusively.

It rides firmly, like a sports car, and some buyers are far from happy. But it is not just an afternoon cruise. After 200 miles on various kinds of roads it still was comfortable.

The AutoStick transmission was most useful in the mountains, where manual downshifts could be done by shifting a lever with my right wrist. For city traffic I left it in automatic.

Many of the parts for the Prowler come from other vehicles, which is why the price has been held to \$39,000. You are most aware of that when you're seated in the deep bucket seats. The climate control system, window switches, audio system, steering wheel and instruments were sourced from the parts bin, but the way it attracts from the vehicle because they look integrated.

The gauges have cream-colored faces. The speedometer is located in the center of the dash, and a tiny tachometer is mounted on the steering wheel section.

The trunk is occupied by the folding canvas top, so there is very little luggage space. You might squeeze a garment bag, but that is about it. Mopar, Chrysler's accessory company, will offer a small luggage trailer that is a replica of the car's tail section.

At this point it is not clear how far Prowlermania will go. Production is likely to last four or five years. It is a much cleaner, more improved car of the past but geared to the future. It says to the world that Chrysler is willing to take chances, have fun and give buyers the kind of vehicle never before available from a major manufacturer.

Hot dog.

Points & Plugs

By Rick Stoff

Michelin has built a new tire that will never let you down, as long as you're rich. The Vertically Anchored Tire has a second rolling surface inside the outer tire. The air in the outer tire is nearly undetectable. The inner tire can handle up to 125 miles of 50 mph speed.

The tire costs only \$1,600. Each.

Nissan is working hard to recover from the losses of nearly \$3 billion it posted in 1994. During that time it became the first company since World War II to close a plant in Japan. Business Week magazine reports the company has \$28 billion in debt.

Nissan will launch eight new vehicles in Japan this year. Four new vehicles will be coming to the U.S. over the next two model years.

One of the new Japanese cars will be a street version of the R390 sports car that will be raced in the 24 Hours of LeMans race this year. The car, with a dual-turbocharged V-8 engine, will cost nearly \$80,000. That's still a long way from paying off \$28 billion.

While America has about given up on station wagons, favoring minivans and sport-utility vehicles, the Japanese are hot for wagons. One of the newest Nissan will introduce is a station wagon, which will give the Japanese more than 40 wagon models from which to choose in dealer showrooms.

Arguing over speed limits may never end, but as accident statistics begin to form on the post-national 55 mph-speed-limit era, some of the results are surprising.

One of the most liberal states, Montana, reverted to its no-daytime-limit speed limit when the U.S. national speed limit was lifted. While there is no specific daytime limit on interstate highways in Montana, state law used such terms as "careful, prudent, reasonable and proper" which state police have decided amounts to about 80 mph.

State studies show that average speeds on Montana highways have climbed from 73 mph to 78 mph.

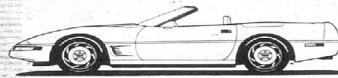
Since the speed limits climbed in Montana, the death toll on the state's highways has dropped. Under the old speed limits in 1995 there were 215 fatalities. In 1996, under the new rules, the fatality total fell to 198.

With the Chevrolet Caprice now extinct, America is down to one large, rear-wheel-drive police vehicle, the Ford Crown Victoria. The police version of the car may not have the big comfy chairs and air conditioning that your Victoria car does, but it has got some power.

Your Vickie can go only 106 mph, but the police Vic is good for 125 mph. Not bad for a 4,000-pound living room.

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Glen Carbon fest June 14

Like most Americans, Glen Carbon's early settlers came from foreign lands looking for a better life. They worked the coal mines and the brickyards and dreamt of bigger and better for their children and grandchildren.

The next generations will celebrate that early struggle in June with a rededication of Glen Carbon festival featuring the dedication of the award-winning bell tower restored to the 1910 Village Hall.

"We want people to remember their backgrounds and rediscover the past," village historian Marilyn Sule said.

Sule is working with Joyce Winkler, president of the Glen Carbon Historical Preservation Commission to plan a full day of activities June 14 with ethnic food sampling, a student art contest, historical displays, an ice cream social. Civic and social groups may join the celebration with food booths and concessions that fit the theme, she said.

"The people who came here had very little, but they all worked very hard. They were survivors, and their children and grandchildren are teachers and professionals and doctors," she said.

The celebration grew out of a desire to formally dedicate the new bronze bell and tower that were reconstructed after a fire in 1987.

The original cast-iron bell, which experts feared would crack with the first ringing, remains on display in front of the Glen Carbon Fire Protection District's building.

A new bell went up with the new tower, but officials waited until spring for a formal dedication. The volunteer effort by Ken Trebing, Dave Lawson, John Farmer, Randy Leitner, Will Shashack and Frank Slinke began with the purchase of the village hall and took three years of after hours and Saturdays to finish. The project won a state preservation award and the Golden Preservation Award from the Goshen Preservation Alliance.

"The bell tower was a marvelous idea, and we wanted to celebrate with a rededication of Glen Carbon program," Sule said.

"It's been five years since the village's centennial, and a lot has happened in that time."

The festival begins with the formal dedication of the tower June 14, followed by an open house at the Glen Carbon Centennial Library and Historical Museum at 10 a.m.

The festival is a social sponsored by St. Thomas Episcopal Church, gets underway at 11 a.m. Brochures to take visitors on a walking tour of the town's historical sites will be available throughout the day, and special events will be held at the restored Yanda Log Cabin, built in 1852 by Bohemian immigrants William Yanda and his wife, Annie Zeola.

—From The Telegraph

Casino billboard adds color

By Jason White
Staff writer

The Casino Queen recently added a splash of color to the East St. Louis riverfront. The 100-foot wide, 70-foot high, \$1.1 million sign began operating last week. About half the sign is comprised of the Casino Queen's logo; the other half is a lighted message reader board that resembles scoreboards at ballparks.

The sign was in a 'test mode' prior to last Tuesday, said Ron O'Connor of O'Connor & Partners, a public relations firm hired by the casino. It's been running intermittently since the Wednesday before Memorial Day," O'Connor said.

O'Connor said initial concerns — that the sign would distract drivers or detract from the view of the St. Louis riverfront — have not been realized, since the sign is well hidden.

"The sign is, frankly, better looking than either the high-tension wires or the grain elevator," O'Connor said, referring to the view of the area near the sign.

Show warms up Drewes lovers

By Ellen Ellick
Staff writer

Maybe it should have been "Brrr Morning, America."

Because it wasn't just the custard that was cold at 6 a.m. as about 100 persons smiled into the television cameras at the Ted Drewes Frozen Custard stand in south St. Louis.

Chilled ears, fingers and noses protested under the gray, drizzly skies, but the cameras demanded sunshine ... and sunshine they got. "Good Morning, America," the volunteer performers shouted as the director signaled them to begin shining.

The early morning national talk show had selected St. Louis as the kickoff point for its summer road trip, a day that will proceed along the historic Route 66.

Because Ted Drewes is one of the Route 66 icons, it drew the nod as an appropriate spot for a St. Louis broadcast.

Mary Hendron, associate director for public relations for the St. Louis Convention and Visi-

ENTERTAINMENT

Shrine Circus coming to St. Louis June 19-22

The Moolah Shrine Circus will give eight performances June 19 through 22, featuring the Shrine Hospital Circus. Long considered the "Royal Family of the Circus," the Hanneford family holds an unknown man of circus history, dating from the 1800s. A well-known producer of Shrine circuses and other circus extravaganzas, Tommy Hanneford has created the traditional Shrine circus of performers who will amaze audiences with astonishing feats and extravagant production numbers.

This year's Moolah Shrine Circus highlights include Lance Ramos and his Ferocious Lions, the Ringling Brothers and the twisting of the Moroccan Connection, the breathtaking maneuvers of the Centrons' Motorcycle, the equestrian element, Miss Sylvia Zerhui and Swapping Sensations, the Nervous Nocks and Wim Troupe.

The circus will kick off with the traditional Shrine Parade on Circus night, a parade through downtown St. Louis June 18. Beginning at about 8 p.m. at Busch Stadium and proceeding west on Market Street, the annual Shrine Parade will feature bands, motorcycles, car troops, the Shrine mini-cars and lighted parade floats.

The 55th edition of the Moolah Shrine Circus will be the benefit of the Moolah Shrine Temple to support its fraternal activities. Purchases



One of the cats featured in the Hanneford Family Circus act. Lance Ramos and his Ferocious Felines. The Hanneford circus is featured in the Moolah Shrine Circus which is set for eight performances June 19 through 22.

of circus tickets or other related circus items are not deductible as charitable contributions and do not benefit Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Performances are 7:30 p.m. June 19; 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. June 20; 11:30 a.m., 3:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. June 21; and 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. June 22.

Reserved tickets are \$16, \$14, \$12 and \$10. General admission mezzanine seats are being sold for \$8 on a first-come, first-served basis.

For general information, call (314) 622-KIEL.

offices at 14th Street and Clark Avenue, or the Moolah Shrine Temple, 14th and Clark.

Tickets also are available at Capital Tickets locations, or by calling Dialix at (314) 965-1800.

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While house-hunting is a very focused activity, there is another trend helping to keep the bigger picture. Over a recent 20-year period, the average new single-family home has grown from 1,000 square feet to 2,000 square feet. This "bigger is better" trend has been accompanied by a desire for added space.

The most popular home built in recent years has been the three-bedroom, two-bath home.

One bedroom and bathroom per person. And, while private space has become more private, the emerging "kitchen-as-hub" underscores a desire to make common living space more

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HINT: Home offices are an increasingly popular way to use living space and offer themselves for such dual-purpose duties as guest rooms, libraries, etc.

As giveaways go, they don't come much bigger.

Pucks of Power, a local organization that raises money for spinal cord injury research through a variety of events, is giving away a brand new home with a brand new car in the garage.

The home is a four-bedroom, 2 1/2-bath, two-story home in the Arlington Glen development in the Fenton area off Highway 30, Middle of the Road and Highway 141. It was built by Mayer Homes.

The vehicle is a 1997 Jeep Grand Cherokee. You can view it at DiSalvo Jeep, 5926 S. Lindbergh Blvd., in South County.

Those who purchase a \$100 tax-deductible membership in the Pucks of Power organization will be eligible to win the home and the car. A drawing will be made when the organization reaches 3,500 new members.

Pucks of Power sponsors an annual high school ice hockey tournament at the Kiel Center.

An artist's rendering shows the exterior of the new home Pucks of Power will be giving away during its membership drive.

that spotlights youth hockey and raises funds for spinal cord injury research. The organization is committed to helping those with spinal cord injuries so that they may walk again.

Pucks of Power member-

ships are \$100 and are available at DiSalvo Jeep, or by calling the Mayer Homes corporate office at (314) 997-2300

or the Pucks of Power organization at (314) 296-0717.

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By Bob Slavin
Staff writer

Did America's most powerful and popular leader an illegal act? That's the question that's been raised by the recent release of the White House tapes.

It's been a year since the tapes were released, and the public has been

waiting for the results of the investigation.

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